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COUNCILMANIC SEAT FILLED BY ELECTION OF VAN VOORHIS

Sixth Street Man Unanimous Choice for Place Made Vacant Last Spring

NO COMPLAINANTS PRESENT

Yet Grievances Are Given Attention—Bond Ordinances Passes Final Reading—Sidewalk Grade on Fifth Street Established

A vacancy in council which has existed since the resignation of Councilman D. R. Hormell last spring was filled at the regular meeting of council Tuesday evening in the council chambers by the unanimous election of Charles S.. VanVoorhis of Sixth street to the place. Mr. Van Voorhis will accept the place it is understood and be sworn in soon.

President D. R. Duvall presided, with all members of council present but W. H. Calvert. An unusual feature of the regular monthly meeting was that not a complainant was present to air his grievances.

The first matter taken up after bills and the burgess' report had been given attention, was that of a bond ordinance for bonds of $28,000 to be used the coming year in the erection of a municipal building. The ordinance was ordered printed and posted.

An ordinance establishing a sidewalk grade for Fifth street between Sixth street and the borough line passed.

Though there were no complainants present there were grievances taken up. Relative to damage to the sidewalk and leakage of water therefrom in front of August Mahieus store on Fallowfield avenue action was taken to care for the trouble. Action was taken to instruct the Bell Telephone company to remove two cable wheels from in front of the property of J. G. Lee on Fallowfield avenue. The street committee was instructed to proceed towards repairing the curbing at the foot of Eighth street at Lincoln avenue. The street committee was told to investigate concerning the flow of surface water down Third street to Lincoln avenue, and to report to council.

The assessment sheet for the improvement of Rose alley was accepted and Borough Clerk Ira L. Nickeson was instructed to send out notices to property holders.

A report was made that the fire plug at the corner of Sixth street and Shady avenue is in bad shape and the matter was placed in the hands of the fire, water and light committee for attention. The plug is too low and needs changing.

Burgess S. L. Woodward reported 62 arrests for December, with fines imposed $143 and collected $125.50, with $18.50 being served out in time.

MRS ELIZABETH JOHNSON DIES IN BRADDOCK HOSPITAL

Mrs. Elizabeth Johnson, aged 39 years of Braddock, died in the Braddock hospital December 30 after a month's illness. She is survived by her husband, three daughters and two sons of Braddock, three sisters, Mrs. Sadie Livingston, Mrs. Luella Sheets and Mrs. Ninion Fram of Charleroi. The funeral services were held on New Year's day.

NEWLY RECONSTRUCTED RIVER TIPPLE BEING USED TO GOOD ADVANTAGE BY CHARLEROI MINE

The newly reconstructed river tipple of the Charleroi mine of the Youghiougheny and Ohio Coal company is now being used successfully. Four coal boats were loaded from the time of the opening of the new tipple a few days ago until the first of this week. The mine will now be enabled to operate every day, whereas operation in the past few months on account of the car shortage has been carried on only about half time.

APPLICATIONS IN FOR LICENSES

Liquor Men Apply for Right to Sell--Fight to be Made on New Applications

TEMPERANCE MEN ORGANIZE

All liquor applications have been filed and the sort of a campaign which will be launched against their granting is being prepared. Remonstrances will be made against the granting of any new licenses.

A total of 40 applications for retail licenses, eight for brewers, five for distillers and one for a wholesale license have been filed with the court making thetotal 54. New applicants are:

Robert E. Michael and John L. Rooney, who seek licenses at Donora; Robert A. Johnston at Bentleyville, and Thomas McCune at Allenport, Allen township. None of these men have ever had licensed houses. There are already six licensed hotels at Donora, but Bentleyville has never had a license.

Harry B. Hayden who formerly held a wholesale license at Monongahela, is an applicant again this year. Mr. Hayden's license was taken away from him four or five years ago for alleged violations of the law but he has been a regular applicant ever since then.

Tonight.

Complimentary euchre given by Charleroi Lodge 1240 Royal Arcanum. Bank of Charleroi Hall, 8:30 p. m. Favors awarded. Members and friends invited. 168-t1-*

Notice

"Serv-Us" Pure Food Products can be secured from the following merchants:

Woodward & Parks, Lock No. 4.
H. H. Duvall
P. Pardini.
Paul Ternavsky.
Leon Depassi.
J. Leroy.
Eugene Sance.
E. Demarco.
F. Wanthier.
Watch this list grow. 130-tf—*

WILL PETITION LEGISLATURE FOR INCREASE IN AMOUNT OF ANNUAL SCHOOL APPROPRIATION

Charleroi School Board Will Act Conjunctively With School Boards of Other Districts of Pennsylvania

Along with other school districts of Pennsylvania the Charleroi district will petition the legislature now in session to grant an increase in the school appropriations. Action to this effect was taken at the regular meeting of the board held in the high school building Tuesday evening, with Dr. F. C. Stahlman in the chair and members present being, Secretary T. M. Faddis, T. R. Eagye, W. D. Pollock and John Campbell.

Schools have been growing larger all the time, yet within the last five years it is declared there have been no increases to the appropriations. According to the idea of school men the time has come for an enlargement.

Secretary Faddis was instructed to advertise for bids for a depository for the sinking fund of the last bond issue of $26,000 declared for the purpose of building additions to the high school.

No reports were received. A number of bills were paid. Cornelius McNary of Canonsburg was elected formally to the position of teacher of history and mathematics in the high school to succeed Joseph Leahey, who has resigned.

CLARK-WERNKE WEDDING IS AN EVENT OF TODAY

North Charleroi Girl and Charleroi Man Married at St. Jerome's Rectory—Leave on Honeymoon

The marriage of Miss Mabel Wernke and George Clark, well known young people, took place this morning at 8:45 o'clock in the rectory of St. Jerome's Catholic church, with Rev. W. D. Fries, pastor of the church performing the ceremony. Attending the couple were the father and sister of the bride, Christ H. Wernke and Miss Teresida Wernke of North Charleroi. On the nine o'clock train the happy couple left for Cambridge Springs, where they will spend their honeymoon. Upon their return a week or ten days hence they will take up their abode in apartments in the Grant building.

The bride is a telented young woman who has held the position of pianist and organist at the Coyle theatre for the last few years. She is also a vocalist of considerable ability. Mr. Clark is a retail clothing salesman employed in Teitelbaum's store on McKean avenue.

GIRL FOUND BY ROADSIDE IN FAYETTE COUNTY DIES

Failing to regain consciousness long enough to tell the story of her death, Alice Miller, 15 year old, found beside the highway near Merrittstown December 23 following a taxicab ride died in the Brownsville hospital Tuesday morning.

Only once last Friday did the girl revive and then during a few minutes consciousness she said she jumped from the moving taxi to escape two men who were in the auto with her and who she said enticed her into the taxi with offers of candy.

At the hospital it was found she had been assaulted criminally and a postmortem examination showed a fracture of the skull. The girl was a daughter of Mrs. Charles Miller of Whitsett.

WOMAN'S DEATH NOT DUE TO FOUL PLAY

Coroner Heffran Investigates Sudden Demise of Roscoe Foreign Woman—Arrested Man Released

Coroner James T. Heffran investigated at Roscoe this morning the death of Mrs. Rosie Maciokas, aged 32, who was found dead at noon Tuesday. He found no evidence of foul play andd the verdict returne was that the woman had died from acute dilation of the heart. Charles Nay, a foreigner of Elco who was arrested after the finding of the woman's cold body, was released.

It was determined that Nay had been with the woman a brief time Tuesday morning and that they had taken a few drinks of liquor. However it was found that he was innocent of any act to cause her death.

METHODIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH STARTS PERIOD OF REVIVAL MEETINGS TO LAST A MONTH

The first meting in the series of week-day revival services at the First Methodist Episcopal church was held Tuesday evening, with a good-sized congregation present. Singing was a feature. The first part of the meeting, the devotions was conducted by the Epworth League of the church, with Prof. J. R. Carroll as leader. Rev. C. A. Hartung,pastor, who is doing the evangelistic work preached an inspiring sermon on "Indifference."

The meetings are to last throughout January. Every night of the first week the devotions will be conducted by the Epworth League.

ALLEGED SUICIDE IS DUE TO DESPONDENCY

Life extinct from a slashed throat, Calvin McWilliams aged 55 years of Monessen, was found seated on the edge of his cot at his boarding house at Highland and Twelfth street, Monessen, Tuesday a believed suicide. By his side on the floor was the razor which is supposed to have been used. He was a steel worker. Despondency is the supposed cause. A stepdaughter survives.

RIVER COAL TRADE RUNS HIGH DURING GREATER PART OF 1916

ROAD IMPROVEMENT BONDS FOR $125,080 AUTHORIZED BY COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

The county commissioners Tuesday afternoon authorized the issuance of $125,000 road improvement bonds to be dated February 1, 1917. These bonds are to bear four per cent interest and be free of tax in Pennsylvania. The money will be used in further road improvement extension during the coming summer. The motion to issue the bonds was made by Watson and seconded by Barnum. Commissioner Hill did not vote on the resolution authorizing the issue.

CHARGED WITH THREE CRIMES

Youth Bound Over to Court as Aftermath of Recent Escapade

BURGLARY ONE ACCUSATION

On three charges Joseph Bilion was bound over to court by Justice of the Peace [illegible] as the aftermath of Bilion's atempted blackmail of two Charleroi residents. He plead guilty to all three charges and probably will ented such a plea before the court. The charges against Bilion are burglary, carrying concealed weapons and attempted blackmail. Bond, which was not furnished was $500 on the burglary and blackmail charges and $300 for carrying concealed weapons. The young man's father came here from Rhode Island to be present at the hearing but had little to say of the charges.

Bilion ran amuck the law when he is alleged to have written letters demanding money and to have sent them by boys to the homes of R. C. Mountser and Jack Teitelbaum. No one was at home at the latter place and he is accused of breaking into and looting the house.

LOCAL WOMAN UNJUSTLY TREATED SAY FRIENDS

Charges of Husband, They Say, Have Objective of Prejudicing Public Sentiment

In the pending divorce proceedings of Mrs. James E. Neill of Charleroi against her husband, James E. Neill of Monessen on the grounds of cruel and barbarous treatment, which is expected to be decided soon in the Washington county court, Mrs. Neill declares she will oppose bitterly the husband's counter suit for the possession of their six-year-old son, James Neill, Jr. Both she and her relatives and friends flatly deny all charges of the husband made, they say, in his effort to secure possession of the child. They allege that any charges of evil influence or misconduct made

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3 Month's Shortage During Miner's Trouble Spoils Epoch Making Year

OCTOBER THE BEST MONTH

First of Last Quarter Holds Place as Leader Among Months—Total Number of Bushels Going Through Lock In Year 194, 311,000

With the exception of three months, the river coal trade through Lock No. 4 in 1916 was extremely good, running ahead of any previous year in the history of the river shipping business. The three slow months were April, May and June, the period of the coal mine trouble. June, when the climax came was the worst of all. Even had there been a low average maintained in the way of shipments for these three months the coal trade would have been the best ever recorded.

According to the report of Lockmaster James Sweeney, October was the best month of the year. Why this should happen no one knows, but it is a fact that October is usually the best month of the year, and this was no exception to the general rule.

Only one lock, the new outer lock, was used during 1916 for coal shipments, yet the heavy trade was cared for with comparative ease during the busy months.

Precisely 194,311,000 bushels of [illegible] yearly trade in history was that of 1913 when the record mark was 210,277,000 bushels. In 1915, the second best ye ar in history,the grand total was 203,390,000 bushels.

The coal trade for the year was as follows:

Month	Bushels
January	18,469,000
February	17,308,000
March	17,885,000
April	11,942,000
May	11,790,000
June	6,042,000
July	16,154,000
August	18,074,000
September	18,427,000
October	19,942,000
November	19,328,000
December	18,950,000
Total	194,311,000

December shipments were as follows: Down stream, lockages 420, steamers 314, boats, barges and flats 1,403, other craft 24, coal 18,950,000 bushels, stone 25 cubic yards lumber 1,000 feet, merchandise 226 tons live stock, large, 11; up stream—Lockages 411, steamers 322, boats, barges and flats 1,416, other craft 32, coal 6,000 bushels, iron products 130 tons sand 6,000 bushels, timber 4,000 feet, lumber 172,000 feet merchandise 14 tons. The rainfall during December was 2.19 inches. The highest stage of water was on Friday, December 29, when a stage of 25.7 feet was reached.

W. C. T. U. HOLDS MONTHLY MEETING WITH MRS DAWSON

The regular monthly meeting of the Women's Christian Temperance Union at the home of Mrs. Emma Dawson, Tuesday afternoon at 2:30. Plans for the year 1917, along the lines of temperance work, were perfected.

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PICKING COAL

A coal picker never seems to realize his danger until caught by an officer of the law and fined. Then his conception of danger seems to lie in the fear of being caught again.

The Pennsylvania Railroad, unbeknown to most people, has been conducting a systematic campaign against coal picking from the railroad tracks. In this they are not governed by any sentimental reasons; neither are they doing it especially in the interests of coal operators. Their primary object is humanitarian, being to protect lives.

Perhaps coal pickers on railroad tracks do not realize that they are trespassers and that they have no business there. Perhaps they have been encouraged by friends whose advice is wrong and some times inspired by a grudge against the operating concern. Anyhow there has been a great deal of coal picking going on, foreign people being the chief offenders. There have been narrow escapes from death, but no effect seems to have been made since those guilty of the practice have been continuing with their wonted indifference.

DRESS.

Unquestionably Eve was the first human being to concern herself with the matter of costume. Such is proclaimed by State Health Commissioner Samuel G Dixon, who bases reason for an argument on dress on that fact. He continues:

Today, some evidence to the contrary, the primary object of clothing is to potect the body from heat and cold. Man's dress has through all ages of necessity conformed more or less to these practical purposes. True, there have been certain butterfly stages when man's costume vied with that of the women of any period in elegence and costliness but within the last hundred years the great economic change which has come over a large portion of the world, has brought with it a practical standarization of men's dress.

Women's clothing has been and continues to be subject to far greater extremes. While it would be far from desirable to take beauty and color out of our lives, for the sake of the wearer's health, certain reasonable precautions should be observed.

Paper soled slippers in mid-winter worn over icy pavements as contrasted with necks muffled in fur, are obviously a source of real danger.

The growing army of women in business, whose occupation demands a more reserved style of dress, will in time exert an influence upon their sisters whose chief aim is personal adornment.

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WHAT OTHERS THINK

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WORKING FOR OTHERS.

At the beginning of the new year how many of us calculate that the things we intend to do in the next three hundred and sixty-four days are to be done for the benefit of others rather than for ourselves.

As a matter of fact very little worth while in this world is done for our own special benefit.

The man who determines to save something out of his income thinks of his family's future as well as his own.

The man who takes out insurance and economizes to make annual payments on his premium is considered first by those who are dependent on him.

The philanthopist who provides an endowment fund for a college or a charitable institution has thought of the many people who will enjoy the benefits of his gift long after he is gone perhaps for centuries to come.

Even the man in business who builds up his enterprise year after year does not expect to reap all the benefits from this building himself. He wants it to stand for all time as a monument to his foresight. his genius and ability.

When we work for good roads, for better transportation facilities, for better schools, for municipal improvements we are working for future generations as well as for ourselves. Even what we enjoy today in material blessings have come down to us from the hardships and sacrifices of others.

Our own independence, nationally, was secured through long years of bloody conflict. Our own democratic government with its religious liberty and equal rights was earned on the bloody battlefields by our ancestors or by those who have gone on before.

Many of us today enjoy good homes good schools, the advantages of libraries and hospitals, or easy travel because those who went before us made all these things possible by hard work, invention and sacrifice.

Too often we fail to realize our own obligation to the future—that we must use what was given to us and then made better hand it down to those who follow.

The good things of this life, though we possess them, in reality belong to the past generations which produced them. These generations are beyond human thanks but we may at least show our appreciation by aiding materially to the heritage of those yet to come.—Washington Observer.

GINGLES' JINGLES

DIVERSIONS.

They hop on the trains and are happy, they flivver or go in a car, and when they arrive you can bet they're alive, and the high speed stuff mounts above par; the old, middle aged and the youngsters, the strong and the feeble and lame are there with the zip, each one [illegible] the trip feeling [illegible] and [illegible] The [illegible] tosses the [illegible] [illegible] to [illegible] around, on the [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] has led [illegible] away [illegible] [illegible] them away [illegible] [illegible] made up their mind [illegible] thought they have [illegible] done. 'Tis good that we have such diversions the circus, the old country fair helps to [illegible] [illegible] hard at [illegible]

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ELECTRIC SPARKS

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Aw, blame it on the weather man. He is the only one who doesn't kick.

They might have negotiations but that doesn't end the war.

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Everybody is certain just now they won't give in but the right is reserved to make up their minds again.

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Did you ever hear about anyone kicking about the high cost of pleasure?—Philadelphia Evening Ledger.

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The new half dollars have made their appearance, but they are keeping shady about it.

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Some men will trade with a friend when he enters business and if they do it shows they are honest.

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PICKED UP IN PASSING

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The candidate was giving the first speech of the campaign in a country district. The hall at first was pretty well filled. but the audience was not long in finding out that they did not like the speaker's style of oratory and began to leave. At last only one man remained. Still, he represented one vote, and as he listened with close attention the candidate felt encouraged to continue. At the end of fifteen minutes the speaker stoppped and politely asked:

"I beg your pardon. I hope I am not trespassing on your kindness. I shall have finished in ten minutes."

"Ten minutes?" said the listener. "You can go on as long as you like, for all I care only don't forget that you engaged me by the hour."

Then the candidate found that his earnest audience was the cabman who had driven him to the hall.

Two English officers in billets were longing for a drink, but dared not indulge, as their landlady was a stanch teetotaler and would probably read them a lengthy lecture.

"I know the trick!" exclaimed one. in glee. "Let's ask her for a drop of whiskey to clean our pipes with."

The good woman was truly sympathetic when informed regretfully by the wily twain that their pipes were too foul to smoke, and promptly supplied them with the desired "cleansing fluid."

Later she asked with a kindly smile: "And was the whisky successful?"

"It was," replied one of the conspirators "It was awfully kind of you"

"Not at all," replied the landlady. "I was glad to make use of it. I only bought it the day before yesterday to wash little Fido in and the results were wonderful."

CAST INTO OUTER DARKNESS

Book Agent Might Have Escaped Ignominy Had He Been Able to Get in a Word Before.

The snappy, self-confident man who forced his way past a doortender into the private office of a leading manufacturer, was somewhat taken aback when the personage of importance greeted him affably.

"Glad to see you," said the employer. "How are you today?"

"I am glad to see you, sir."

"Fine day."

"Yes, I understand you employ several hundred men here, and I just dropped in—"

"Exactly, and I am proud of our workmen. They are the—"

"And I just dropped in to—"

"I suppose you wish to see the plant."

"Yes, but I—"

"Come with me."

"You see, I wish to see the men themselves—"

"You wish to see them at work? Well, it is interesting. You know—"

"But, sir—"

"No trouble at all. Just come right on with me."

The employer chatting the while at a rate that brooked no interruption, proudly shoved the visitor through every part of the large plant.

In vain the visitor repeatedly tried to crowd in a remark or two.

After a full half hour had passed, the employer, breathless, but pleased, escorted the visitor into the office again, and waved him into a seat.

The visitor seated himself, then desperately arose again.

"What I came here for," he blurted, "was to ask permission to see your workmen."

"Yes, yes, yes—"

"You see, sir, I am a book agent, and I—"

But his voice was drowned completely by the employer, who opened the door with one hand, pointed significantly with the other, and yelled at the top of his voice:

"Outside."

DESERVES PLACE IN HISTORY

William Billings of Boston Heads the List of American Composers of Music.

America's first composer of any note was William Billings, who was born in Boston, October 7. 1746. In his youth he was a tanner, but a love for music led him to become a teacher of singing and a composer of psalm tunes, which eventually found their way into every church choir of New England and became great favorites with the people.

He published no fewer than six collections of tunes, all founded upon the new school of religious music then coming in vogue in England. Their contrast to the dismal old tunes previously in use naturally gave them an immense popularity; and, in fact, they effected a musical revolution in all the English colonies of America. They were far from being perfect in melody and harmony and would be considered very crude today. but the composer displayed an originality approaching genius, and had he enjoyed the educational advantages open to composers of today his compositions would doubtless have possessed a permanent value.

Seagoing Jitney.

In Los Angeles an electric car met a jitney bus with disastrous results, and among the passengers who were called upon to give testimony was a "jackie" from the monitor Cheyenne. His letter to the claim agent follows:

"I was standing on the starboard forecastle of the car when the gasoline cutter hove in sight off our port bow. We were making 15 knots, and the cutter was coming about the same along another channel. It was clear weather and not much ground swell.

"Our chief engineer blew his siren and reversed his propellers, but he couldn't heave her to in time to keep from ramming her. There wasn't even time to get out the life preservers or sound the emergency call. We smashed in a couple of the little craft's compartments. Her captain stuck to his post. The jitney went down like a submarine.

"I think the cause of the wreck was that the jitney's binnacle light was out."—Electric Railway Journal.

Gained Religion Rapidly.

A little five-year-old East Winthrop, Me., lad went to Sunday school with his sister. some older. and was much impressed with what he heard and saw. He talked considerably about his visit and his remarks were very interesting. he deciding that someone lived in heaven who could do any and all things.

It was soon after that the lad's mother had occasion to call him to her, and he, boylike, replied in the "just-a-minute" manner, remarking that it was going to rain and he wanted to catch some of the rainwater. The lady soon repeated the summons and tiptoed along to see what he was doing, to find him just completing the setting of his dishes and to hear him say in childlike innocence: "All right. Dedus; let 'er rain!"—Kennebec Journal.

Plenty of Privacy Then.

"Is there such a place in this world as an ideal summer resort?"

"Oh, yes," replied the cynical person who hates the society of his fellow man.

"Name it."

"Almost any summer resort in midwinter."

MINE WORKER KILLED IN ELLA MINE

George Rigo, aged 27, married, was instantly killed Tuesday at the Ella mine of the Pittsburg Coal company at Sunnyside, across the river from Monongahela, when he was run over by his own mine car. He was a driver and having made his first trip out was returning into the mine when he evidently stumbled in some way in front of the car. A boy discovered his body. The remains were taken to Donora and the Allegheny county coroner notified Besides his wife two children survive.

WAR MAKES PETROLEUM KING

World Today Is as Much Dependent Upon Refined Products of Oil As It Is Upon Wheat.

The European war is without a doubt doing more to direct general attention to the claims of oil and its multitudinous products than any amount of advertising in normal times could have accomplished.

The great clash of arms on the continent has from its commencement shown that the necessity for the products of petroleum in up-to-date warfare is no less than in either the industrial circles or in domestic life. We are today as much dependent upon the refined products of crude oil as we are upon wheat and other necessities of life, and as time goes on. and the uses which are constantly being found for petroleum multiply, our dependency upon oil becomes the greater.

It is no surprise, therefore, to find that not only are petroleum products generally commanding greater attention than they ever before did, but that a particularly healthy atmosphere permeates those enterprises which have laid themselves out—and successfully so—to engage in the production, the refining, the transport, or the distribution of petroleum products. There is, in short, no mistaking the fact that in the future, oil will be king.—Petroleum Review.

MACHINE TO CUT DOWN TREES

Device Invented in England Said to Perform More Work in a Day Than Thirty Woodmen.

The growing demand for lumber in England and the shortage of labor have resulted in the invention of a treefelling machine which is said to perform more work in an eight-hour day than 30 woodmen, according to Popular Science. A feature of the machine is the cleanness of the cut and the closeness to the ground at which the saw works, leaving no trunks standing and thus preventing waste.

The machine is mounted on removable wheels for transporting it from place to place. It consists of a steam cylinder 15 inches in diameter, with a piston rod having a 19-inch stroke. It is attached to a light wrought-iron frame of triangular shape, so that the saw can be fed up to its work by means of a hand-wheel worm.

The saw is fixed to the end of the piston rod and the teeth are designed to cut on the inward stroke only. The blade slides between guides and there is no possibility of buckling. The boiler is heated by refuse wood picked up wherever the machine may be used.

Musical Birthright of Children.

In the most remote villages in this country, in purely industrial communities, among the poor and among the rich (both having forgotten), children love good songs. It is their natural inheritance. No excess of materialism in the generations affects it in the least. This is the primitive endowment; deep down in human character there lies a harmony of adjustment with nature. Overlay it as you may with custom, or habit, sully it with luxury, it still persists, for without it human life cannot be. This idealistic basis of human life, which is never destroyed, appears fresh and unstained in children and in song it bubbles up as from a pure spring.—Thomas W. Surette. in the Atlantic.

Night Flying No Picnic.

A young Canadian birdman says of flying at night that "you feel like the man in the song. you are all dressed up and no place to go." It is simple enough to sail away, but it is something else to come down without taking off a chimney pot or "strafing" a big oak tree. In ordinary times there is a flare to guide you safely back to the aerodrome. but on "raid nights," when all is dark, and when the 'Archies' are barking at the "Hickey-boos," and the "Hickey-boos" are "putt, putt, putting" at you with their *machine* guns—then night flying is surely enough a real man's job.

Not Just What He Meant.

In a country town, following the morning sermon, the leading citizen, a man of more forwardness than understanding. stepped to the platform and raised his hand for attention, which was immediately given him. "Brothers and sisters," he said, "we have listened to a powerfully fine sermon on prohibition this morning by our beloved pastor. It has moved me wonderfully. I am sure we have all profited by it. We are glad the ministers are taking such an interest in temperance, and hope others will follow their example until it is wiped out of our fair land."—San Francisco Argonaut.

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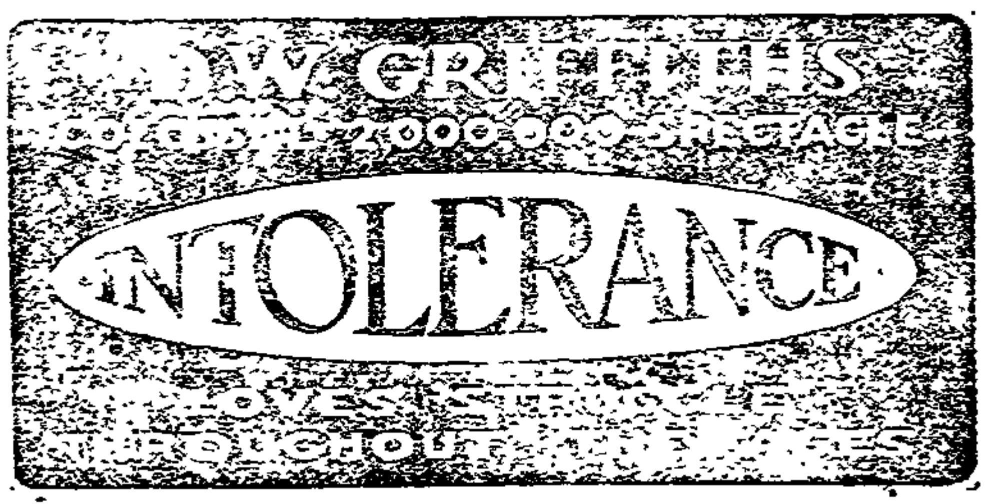

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Mother Love is one of the most sacred things in the world. It prompts the mother to give her strength — her life even—gladly — happily—that her child may be safer, happier, stronger or better in every way.

Just a food—specially prepared to aid in making red blood and strong healthy tissue—is what she needs. Then all the natural functions of the body will be easily carried on without the least sense of fatigue or drain. With plenty of red blood in her veins, mother will feel no ill effect from nursing baby.

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PERFECT CONFIDENCE

Charleroi People Have Good Reason For Complete Reliance.

Do you know how—
To find relief from backache;
To correct distressing urinary ills;
To assist weak kidneys?
Your neighbors know the way—
Have used Doan's Kidney Pills;
Have proved their worth in many tests.

Here's Charleroi testimony.

Mrs. W. McBride, 705 Crest avenue, Charleroi, says: "One of the family was in misery from dull pains in the back. Doan's Kidney Pills were used and they brought great benefit. Later there was a return of the old trouble and less than one box of Doan's Kidney Pills, procured from Piper Bros.' Drug Store, removed the pain in the back and there has been no suffering since. We think there is nothing equal to Doan's Kidney Pills."

Price 50c, at all dealers. Don't simply ask for a kidney remedy—get Doan's Kidney Pills—the same that Mrs. McBride recommends. Foster-burn Co., Props., Buffalo, N. Y.

Notice to Stockholders

Charleroi, Pa., December 26, 1916.

Election—The annual meeting of the stockholders of the Charleroi Savings & Trust company will be held at the office of the Company. corner of Fifth street and Fallowfield avenue, Charleroi, Pa., between the hours of 10 a. m. and 12 m., Tuesday January 9th, 1917, for the election of directors to serve for the ensuing year and for the transaction of any other business that may come before the meeting.

E. W. Hastings
Secretary
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Notice of Election

The annual meeting of the stockholders of the First National Bank of Bentleyville will be held in the Banking rooms, January 9, 1917, between the hours of 10 a. m. and 3 p. m. for the purpose of electing a Board of Directors for the ensuing year and to transact such other business as may come up at that time.

S. Martin Berg, Cashier.
Dec. 13-20-27-J-3

Sickening headaches, constipation, indicate unhealthy condition of stomach and bowels. Holister's Rocky Mountain Tea assists the bowels to work naturally, thus aiding your health in general. Begin tonight. Henning's Drug Store.

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UNITED DOCTORS SPECIALIST

WILL AGAIN BE AT THE

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SATURDAY, JANUARY 6, 1917
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Remarkable Success of These Talented Physicians in the Treatment of Chronic Diseases.

Offer Their Services Free of Charge.

The United Doctors, licensed by the State of Pennsylvania for the treatment of deformities and all nervous and chronic diseases of men, women and children offer to all who call on this trip, consultation, examination, advice free. making no charge whatever, except the actual cost of treatment. All that is asked in return for these valuable services is that every person treated will state the result obtained to their friends and thus prove to the sick and afflicted in every city and locality, that at last treatments have been discovered that are reasonably sure and certain in their effect.

These doctors are among America's leading stomach and nerve specialists and are experts in the treatment of chronic diseases and so great and wonderful have been their results that in many cases it is hard to find the dividing line between skill and miracle.

Diseases of the stomach, intestines, liver, blood, skin, nerves, heart, splen kidney, or bladder. rheumatism, sciatica diabetes, bed-wetting, tape worm, leg ulcers, week lungs and those afflicted with long-standing deep seated, chronic diseases that have baffled the skill of the family physicians, should not fail to call. Deafness often has been cured in sixty days.

According to their system no more operations for appendicitis, gall stones, tumors, goiter, piles, etc., as these diseases are treated without operation or hypodermic injection.

They were among the first in America to earn the name of "Bloodless Surgeons." by doing away with the knife with blood and with all pain in the successful treatment of these dangerous diseases.

If you have kidney or bladder troubles bring a two ounce bottle of your urine for chemical analysis and microscopic examination.

No matter what your ailment may be, no matter what others may have told you, no matter what experience you may have had with other physicians, it will be to your advantage to see them at once. Have it forever settled in your mind. If your case is incurable they will give you such advice as may relieve and stay the disease. Do not put off this duty you owe yourself or friends or relatives who are suffering because of your sickness, as a visit at this time may help you.

Worn-out and run-down men or women, no matter what your ailment, consult them. It costs you nothing.

Remember, this free offer is for this visit only.

Married ladies come with their husbands and minors with their parents.

Laboratories, Milwaukee, Wisconsin.
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BELL-ANS
Absolutely Removes Indigestion. One package proves it. 25c at all druggists.

Price Reductions

Are The Main Attraction Here Now!

We are offering in our Ladies and Mens Ready-to-Wear Departments, merchandise at far less than value now. In some cases the reductions are very heavy. In these days of rapidly advancing markets we would advise you to be on the spot for all the Bargains you can use. Just now we are offering you

January Clearance Prices On

Ladies Suits and Coats
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January Clearance Prices On

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Mens Pants, Hats and Caps

The cuts are very heavy and now is the time if you would get choice merchandise at Savings Prices.

Charleroi's Big Store Keeps Its Shelves Filled With Dependable Merchandise. Come Here For Your Wants, We can Fit You Outright in Quality & Price

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"Charleroi's Live Store"

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NORTH CHARLEROI

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Miss Grace Phillips spent Sunday with relatives at Uniontown.

~~Mr. and Mrs. William Parks were~~ Sunday callers in Donora.

Mrs. Davis Woodward and children returned home after visiting the former's parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Woods at Haddenville.

Mrs. R. W. Ferry returned to her home at Troy after visiting at the home of her brother, George Kenyon.

Miss Catherine Connell entertained a number of friends Sunday evening in form of a watch party held at her home. At 11:30 a lunch was served by the hostess' mother, Mrs. J. P. Connell.

Miss Edna Vanse of Pittsburg visited at the home of Mrs. J. M. Whitlatch Monday.

Mrs. William Foulks and daughter Ruth and the former's mother, Mrs. C. J. Phillips spent New Year's Day at the Irondale, Donora, visiting the latter's nephew, William Risbeck.

Mrs. George Kenyon visited her mother, Mrs. Caroline Hays of Beaver.

Mr. and Mrs. Fortney Carley have returned from their wedding trip at McDonald and Sharon. They are expecting to live in North Charleroi.

Mr. and Mrs. Thomas McCue have returned from Nebraska.

Mr. and Mrs. John McClure and baby visited relatives in Elizabeth.

Mrs. John Hogan who has been suffering with a sprained ankle is slowly recuperating.

Walter Gaw of Woodlawn visited here New Years Day.

Mrs. C. F. Reed of Maple Creek visited at the home of her sister Mrs. John Hogan.

Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Wernke spent Monday in McKeesport.

Mrs. Pearl West spent Monday in Pittsburg.

Mr. and Mrs. William Craft and sons, Raymond and Rogers motored to Finleyville Sunday.

Mrs. Jennie Wood, Mrs. William Murphy, Misses Virginia and Sara Van Gelder and Paul Drummond and Thomas Reese of Pittsburg, Mrs. L. H. Bashaw and baby of Celineville, Ohio, Mr. and Mrs. Albert Pool and daughters, Misses Evyln and Dorothy and Miss Mary Louise Van Gelder of Morgantown, W. Va. were recent guests of Mr. and Mrs. John Pinyerd.

William Geho visited his aunt, Mrs. G. H. Glenn of Clairton.

Carl Watson who has been confined to his room, suffering from the effects of running a nail in his foot, is convalescing.

E. C. McKean has returned from Cresson after three months' basence.

Mr. and Mrs. Edward Carson and children visited relatives at Elrama Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Chew and Mrs. Kate Jones of Belle Vernon were visiting the former's parents, Mr. and Mrs. O. R. Chew.

Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Mallory visited relatives at Racine, Ohio.

Mrs. Charles Booth and sister, Mrs. Pearl Hope were Pittsburg callers.

~~Misses Edith and Margaret Elliott~~ of Finleyville visited with their cousins, Misses Mabel and Mazie Parks Saturday.

James Kramer and sister Miss Anna of Greensboro, Martin Teegarden of Rices Landing and Mrs. Oliver Greene of Speers were guests at the home of the former's brother, P. E. Kramer.

Mrs. Clyde Devilling and sons of Appollo are visiting at the home of the former's parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Hall.

Mr. and Mrs. Ed. Geho and daughter Ruth and sons, Roy and William visited relatives in West Newton Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. John Paterline and daughter, Miss Rose were callers in Pittsburg.

John Carlisle of New Philadelphia is the guest of L. Covan.

Mrs. O. R. Chew is suffering from the effects of a stroke.

Mrs. Samuel Brown of Braddock visited her son, Charles.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles McKean and children visited the former's sister at Uniontown.

Miss Mary Paigh returned to her home in Fayette City after visiting with Mrs. Everett Harris.

Mrs. Alphone Collert and son Erasmus and daughter Miss Rose of Belle Vernon, Miss Dora Phillips and Clyde Eisley and Charles Phillips of Monessen were recent guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Phillips.

Charles Brown was called to Homestead the last of the week on account of the death of his brother.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles McKann and children were callers at Wilson Sunday.

Mrs. Albert Eyman visited friends in Donora Sunday.

Mrs. Thomas McVey has returned home after visiting relatives at Greensboro.

Miss Margaret Mills visited her sister in Fayette City.

Mr. and Mrs. Reuben Fear and sons Charles and Earl visited relatives at Scott Haven.

Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Cratty of Pittsburg visited among relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. Philip Myers and children visited here.

Miss Mae Post and Miss Esther Richardson of McKeesport were guests of the former's sister, Mrs. Albert Eyman.

J. A. Reed visited relatives at Braddock.

Mrs. A. A. Guffy and daughter Grace of McKeesport, Mr. and Mrs. S. W. McConnell, Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Wall, Mrs. Clara Wycoff and daughter, Miss Eleanor of Elizabeth were guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. A. P. Culp New Years day.

Mrs. George Mikesell of Detroit, Mich., is visiting her brother, C. E. Miller. Other recent guests were Miss Carry Jones and Cal. May of Pittsburg.

Miss Mary Hawkins and brother Alex., Miss Lola Peacock and brother Cal and Herman Whitfield of Zollarsville were Sunday guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Neal Post.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Klasen of Monessen visited the latter's parents, Mr. and Mrs. George Campbell.

Miss Nancy Simpson of Pittsburg and James Simpson of Greensboro were visiting at the home of their brother William.

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DUNLEVY

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Miss Martha Crowl of Belle Vernon visited at the home of her parents Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Crowl, Sr., Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. James Sowden and children of Fairhope spent Sunday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. H. Dunseath.

Misses Elizabeth Roberts and Reba Donaldson of Vesta visited at the home of Mr. and Mrs. John Todd Monday.

Mrs. Melvin Haywood and son of Ellsworth visited relatives in Dunlevy Monday.

Mrs. John Melville of Monongahela visited at the home of her sister Mrs. Thomas Haywood.

Frank Haywood was a caller in Roscoe Monday.

John Crothers visited at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Anderson Sr., of Roscoe Monday.

Mrs. Jeanette Tompson of California visited at the home of Mrs. Hannah Kertley Sunday.

LOCAL WOMAN

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are merely for the purpose of prejudicing sentiment in the pending divorce proceedings. Her friends are staunch in her defense, claiming she has been unjustly treated and misrepresented.

Mrs. Neill declares a picture her husband places in evidence against her is merely one of herself and cousin taken several years ago. While she is greatly annoyed and much perturbed over the domestic trouble through which she is passing, Mrs. Neill says she will never give up the fight for her child and will continue supporting it by working. She and her young son now are making their home with Mrs. Neill's parents on Lincoln avenue, Charleroi who are standing faithfully back of them in their present trouble.

Heinz sauer kraut, 10 cents a pound. Doerzbacher's 168-t3

TRY A CLASSIFIED WANT AD

MARK M'DONOUGH DIES; KNOWN AS BAND LEADER

Mark McDonough, aged 60 years, died at his home in Fairhope, near Belle Vernon at 7:30 Tuesday evening. He is survived by his widow and 10 sons and daughters, as follows: Mrs. William Sisley and Mrs. G. McDonald of Belle Vernon, Mrs. J. Murt of Fairhope, Luke of Pricedale, John, Michael, Joseph, Francis, Beatrice and Hester at home. The funeral will be held Friday with high mass at St. Eusebius church in Fayette City and interment will be in the Belle Vernon cemetery.

Mr. McDonough was well known along the Monongahela valley. He was in active years a band leader of note.

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PERSONALS

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Misses Marcella and Elizabeth Rinehart and Freda Bigelow of Pittsburg and Otto Balthauser of Pittsburg were guests of Mr and Mrs. Jesse McCullough of Fallowfield avenue.

A surprise party was held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. John W. Jobes of Lookout avenue Monday evening. Music and games were the diversions and a lunch was served at eleven o'clock. A number of out-of-town guests were present.

Jesse McCullough visited at Donora with his sister Mrs. William Green.

Mrs. L. H. Goehring and daughter Elizabeth Faye returned home after a week's visit at the home of Joseph Mills and family at Breckenridge.

Mrs. Vincent McGee and Mr. and Mrs. James Wood were Sunday visitors in Glassport.

Miss Ethel Greenawald was a caller in Pittsburg Tuesday.

Misses Doris and Ruth Richardson have returned to Cleveland after spending the holidays with their grandmother Mrs. S. J. Richardson of Lincoln avenue.

Miss Nell Ryland has returned to Lutherville, Md., to resume her studies after spending the holidays with her parents Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Ryland of Meadow avenue.

C. C. Suter of Duquesne was a business caller in Charleroi Tuesday.

Laurie Gibson spent Tuesday at Washington.

Carl Miksch has returned to the University of Pittsburg after spending the Christmas vacation with his parents Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Miksch of McKean avenue.

Mrs. George Clark and daughter, Miss Florence of Crest avenue spent Tuesday in Pittsburg.

Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Miksch witnessed the production of "Alone at Last" at the Alvin theatre.

Born—To Mr. and Mrs. L. J. Robertson of McKean avenue a son who has been named Lynn McKay.

Rev. B. N. Axmacher, pastor at Thompson Run and formerly assistant pastor of St. Jerome's Catholic church here visited over Tuesday night with friends

Thomas Mangan has returned to Bucknell college at Lewistown after visiting during the Christmas holidays with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Mangan of Prospect avenue.

FUNERAL OF JOHN IRONS HELD TUESDAY AFTERNOON

The funeral of John Irons, prominent as a resident of Rostraver township who died Saturday evening, was held Tuesday afternoon at 2 o'clock. His widow and one grandson survive.

INFORMAL DINNER TENDERED DEPARTING ROSCOE PASTOR

An informal dinner was held in honor of Rev. P. Maher of Roscoe in the dining room of Charleroi lodge, No. 494, B. P. O. Elks Tuesday evening. About a dozen friends gathered around the festive board and in an informal way made the occasion an enjoyable one to the popular Roscoe pastor on the eve of his departure to Midland, to which point he has been assigned by Bishop J. Regis Canevin, as pastor of the Church of the Presentation. Other events are being tendered Rev. Maher at Roscoe and Fayette City.

MRS. ELIZABETH PRICE DIES AT HOME IN NORTH CHARLEROI

Mrs. Elizabeth Price died at her home in Lockview at 4 o'clock Tuesday afternoon after an illness of some duration from cancer. She is survived by two sons and four daughters. The funeral will be held Thursday afternoon at the First Presbyterian church, Finleyville, conducted by Rev. M. B. Houck. Mrs. Price was a member of the Methodist church of Gastonville.

THE FALL OF ANTWERP AT THE PALACE THURSDAY

Manager Barnhart has booked a great feature for Thursday, Friday and Saturday at the Palace theatre. "The Fall of Antwerp." The production is a marvel of mechanical genius depicting one of the greatest battles the world has known. A miniature city is placed upon the stage and by means of mechanical devices the city is destroyed. The act requires five people and a carload of special scenery. The attraction is said to excel any that has ever been played at the Palace.

ECLIPSE OF THE MOON TO TAKE PLACE COMING MONDAY

A shady performance by another earth will give Miss Luna a black eye on the morning of January 8. according to naval observatory officials. The eclipse of the moon will be visible in the United States. The moon will enter the shadows at 12:50 a. m. and be in total eclipse from 2:00 to 3:30 a. m., leaving the shadow at 4:39.

MABEL TALIAFERRO TO BE SEEN IN "THE SUNBEAM"

A great show has been booked for the Coyle theatre tonight in the presentation of Mabel Taliaferro in "The Sunbeam," a Metro wonder play. The story deals with a girl who because of her wonderfully sweet and generous nature, sheds happiness on all with whom she comes in contact. It is a wonderful drama of optimism and love. "The Years of the Locust" will be presented Thursday with Fannie Ward in the leading role. Friday Manager Coyle will offer to his patrons Edison's "A Message to Garcia," featuring Mabel Trunnelle and Robert Conness. The play was written by the late Elbert Hubbard.

Firemen Hold Meeting.

The nomination of officers for the ensuing year was the chief feature of the meeting of the Charleroi Volunteer fire department Tuesday evening. Other business of a routine order was taken up.

CLASSIFIED

WANTED—Seamstress and saleslady. Permanent position. People's Store, 536 Falowfield. 168-tf

WANTED—Girl for general housework. 330 Washington avenue. 1 68tf

WANTED—Housekeeper. Inquire at 847 Mail office. 168-t4-p

WANTED—Colored girl for general housework. 534 Washington avenue. 163tf

FOR RENT—Garage. Inquire Dr. C. B. James, Might building. 164-tf

FOR RENT—Small store room. Cheap rent. Good location. Apply 426 Fallowfield avenue. 167-tf.

FOR RENT—Store room with cellar. Corner Eighth and Washington avenue. Rent $18 per month. Inquire A. L. Dubinsky, 413 Fallowfield. 166-t6p

FOR SALE—1916 Dodge Touring car in good condition. $550. Inquire Peoples Realty Co. 145-eod

FOR SALE—Three white iron single beds, complete. Apply M. Wikstrom, Lockview. 168-t3

THE FALL OF ANTWERP

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AMERICANS REPORTED SAFE IN RUMANIAN OIL FIELDS

Americans employed in the oil fields of Rumania escaped with their families in the recent wild flight that followed the sweeping advance of the Germans. Information to this effect has been sent out by the Standard Oil Company from its New York office. The company says that the Americans are now safe in Petrograd and will sail soon for the United States.

John I. McKean of Washington was field superintendent of the Rumano-Americano Oil Company. Other Washington County folks who were in Rumania are Frank McWilliams and Edward McWilliams and family formerly of Washington and Thomas O'Brien of McDonald.

GRAND AND PETIT JURORS FOR THE FEBRUARY TERM

Grand and petit jurors for the February term of criminal court have been drawn. Those from Charleroi are: Grand jury, W. J. Hazlett; petit, Rev. W. G. Carl, T. R. Eagye, D. R. Glunt, L. J. Mitchell and John J. Senft.

NO QUORUM, NO MEETING ONLY A POSTPONEMENT

North Charleroi borough attempted to hold a regular monthly meeting Tuesday evening, but the effort was fruitless. No quorum of members was present. Adjournment was taken by those present until Thursday evening when another attempt will be made to meet

Scene from the spectacular Vaudeville Act "The Fall of Antwerp" Palace Theatre Thursday, Friday and Saturday

Don't Spend That Dollar

The time to save money is when you are earning it. A dollar will open an account with this Bank and may be the means of providing for you when out of employment. Interest paid on Savings Accounts

Start now to save for next Christmas by joining OUR CHRISTMAS SAVINGS CLUB

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Charleroi, Pa.

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Charleroi, Pa.

The Prosperity Club has been formed in our Banking Institution to aid those who desire to accumulate money in an easy and systematic way. Its object is to promote the habit of depositing regularly and the plan is suitable for all ages.

BONUS

As an incentive for you to join our Club we offer a bonus of $1.25, which is equal to your first weekly deposit. This amount will be credited to your account when you become a member of The Prosperity Club.

INTEREST

In addition to the Bonus which we give you, we will pay you Interest on your deposits.

JOIN AT ONCE

You can join The Prosperity Club at any time, but the earlier you join, the sooner you will receive its benefits.

Rules of

The Prosperity Club

1. Upon your opening an account in our Prosperity Club we will credit you with a Bonus of $1.25, which is equal to the amount of your first deposit.
2. We will pay you Interest for the entire time, and on the full amount you have deposited at the maturity of The Prosperity Club Period, which is one hundred weeks. Interest will be compounded and added to your deposits.
3. Upon completion of all your deposits in The Prosperity Club we will pay you all the money you have deposited, the bonus credited to you at the time you opened the account and all the Interest earned at the end of the Club period.
4. Deposits may be made on any day of each week, and several advance deposits may be made at one time.
5. Anyone may open as many accounts as they wish in our Prosperity Club department, each account being considered a separate transaction.
6. The terms contained on the signature card, which is signed by the new member, are also a part of the rules of The Prosperity Club.

The

First National Bank

Charleroi, Pa.

Safe Deposit Boxes, $2 and upwards per annum.
Christmas Savings' Club Now Open.

MADE "BOOKIES" LOOK SILLY

Visitor From Dublin Turned Neat Trick on London Sharks Who Had Boasted Too Loudly.

A Dublin man being on a vacation in London recently, patronized a hotel resorted to by two English bookies and, being continually and unmercifully twitted by them, decided on revenge. In the smoke-room one evening the trio were discussing the dexterity of pickpockets, when our friend who had adroitly introduced the subject, declared that there was nothing wonderful about their work at all. Any ordinarily smart man could do what they do.

"I could easily lift any man, if I so wished," he declared, "no matter who or how alert he might be."

"Bet you fifty to a tanner you don't lift that toff over there, Mr. Mick or Pat, or whatever your name is," snapped one of the bookies, at the same time indicating the only other occupant of the room—a gentleman standing at a distant window.

"Done," said our friend, and the money was taken. He approached the gentleman and spoke to him, at the same time relieving him of his watch and chain, tie pin and pocketbook. The gentleman didn't apparently notice anything wrong, but the bookies could distinctly see the operation. Our friend won his bet and the bookie lost his temper next day on discovering that our friend and the gentleman whom he had lifted were bosom companions who had arranged the little matter between them.—London Mail.

DIDN'T QUITE GET THE IDEA

Library Patron Evidently Was Not Strictly Up to Date in Knowledge of Modern Literature.

A student assistant, engaged in reading the shelves at the public library, was accosted by a primly dressed, middle-aged woman, who said that she had finished reading the last of Laura Jean Libbey's writings, and that she should like something just as good.

The young assistant, unable for the moment to think of Laura Jean Libbey's equal, hastily scanned the shelf on which she was working, and, choosing a book, offered it to the applicant, saying, "Perhaps you would like this. 'A Kentucky Cardinal.'"

"No" was the reply; "I don't care for theological works."

"But," replied the kindly assistant, with needless enthusiasm, "this cardinal was a bird."

"That would not recommend him to me," said the woman, as she moved away in search of a librarian who should be a better judge of character as well as of Laura Jean Libbey's peers.—Harper's Magazine.

Tools Egyptians Used.

Stone implements and household tools, estimated to be 40,000 years old, forming part of a collection owned by Merenptah, son and successor to Rameses the Great, 1,300 years before Christ, have been unearthed in the prehistoric monarch's palace at Memphis, ancient capital of Egypt.

Advices telling of these import discoveries have reached the university museum in Philadelphia from Dr. Clarence S. Fisher, leader of the Eckley B. Coxe, Jr., expedition to Egypt.

In a full report, Doctor Fisher describes wandering through the spacious halls of the great palace that for centuries lay buried in ancient Memphis. Gold ornaments, scarabs, vessels of various kinds and vases were found intact, just as they must have been when the lords of those days departed.

Many of the relics found, says Doctor Fisher, date back to the stone age. Traces of a fire that must have ravished the palace are found on every side, according to the archeologist.—Exchange.

Odd Numbers.

A hen is always given an odd number of eggs to be hatched. Why? There is no reason at all except superstition.

Salutes from warships, forts, etc., are always given in odd numbers, yet no valid reason can be adduced. It is a remnant of the old "odd numbers are lucky" superstition.

Virgil records all sorts of charms and spells practiced round odd numbers—never even ones. Seven is the favorite biblical number, and old divines taught that it held a mystical perfection. It is an odd number.

Falstaff, in the "Merry Wives," is entrapped for the third time. He himself said: "They say there is a divinity in odd numbers," because of the old belief in odd numbers.

Physicians of other days always insisted that "bleedings" should be in odd numbers—one, three, five, etc., and never an even one.—London Mail.

Sound Thoughts—Sound Body.

You may have a well body, but you must begin to build it with your word. Instead of laying up weak and sick word in your body, begin now to speak the word of strength and health—and keep it up. Don't look at what has been. Lot's wife tried that, and she never got beyond the past. Clear out of your mind all this rubbish about uric acid, gallstone, etc., and you will find that none of them has lodgment in your body. The thought makes the body and determines the condition it lives in. Thoughts of health are living, eternal things, and they work with their irresistible power of almightiness to tone up the organism to their own high key of harmony and capability.—Unity.

HOST HAD REASONED WELL

Couldn't Afford to Sacrifice Reputation for Veracity by Backing Up His Guest's "Tall" Story.

A well-known diplomat told at a dinner in Washington a significant parable.

"They who expect the men in authority to do a great deal for them—they who expect the impossible—should remember the grizzly-bear story.

"A famous grizzly-bear hunter gave a dinner, and one of the guests told of a bear hunt that he had once shared in with his host. It had been a 'remarkable hunt.' The bear had been killed under almost incredible difficulties. Although his auditors looked skeptical, the narrator did not spare them any of those difficulties. He counted on the host, you see, for corroboration.

"Then, when he had finished his strange but perfectly true tale, he said:

"'There, that's the story, and, gentlemen, our host will corroborate every word I say.'

"'No, George,' he said, 'I don't remember anything of this sort at all.'

"Tableau!

"Maddened by this tableau, the guest, at the end of the dinner, took his host aside and hissed:

"'Why didn't you back me up in that bear story? You know every word of it was true.'

"'Yes,' said the famous hunter; 'yes, it was all true, but I saw that everybody round the table thought you were lying. If, then, I had supported you, the only result would have been they would have set me down for a liar, too.'"

WARNED OF "DARK HORSE"

Phrase That Has Become Famous Had Its Origin in a Race Meet in Tennessee Town.

The first use of the phrase, "a dark horse," has been traced to a turf oracle named Judge McMinamee. A man named Sam Flynn owned a black stallion called Dusky Pete. He was not a "likely hoss" in appearance, but he could travel at a rate that put most of the animals pitted against him to scorn.

It was Flynn's custom to ride this horse into a town where a race meeting was being held, and enter him in a race. Dusky Pete didn't look particularly good, and Flynn could always get a goodly number of bets down at excellent odds. Seldom did Pete fail to romp home far ahead of the local favorites, to the enrichment of his owner.

One day Judge McMinamee was appointed judge at a race meet, and among the entries he observed Dusky Pete. "Gentlemen," he said, "there's a dark horse in this race that will make ye sick.' After that it became a saying to "Look out for the dark horse."

Left Vicar's Wife Thinking.

The vicar's wife was tireless in discouraging the use of tobacco. According to the good lady, it was the weed which made a veritable wilderness of the rose-garden of life. "Well, Annie," she remarked to one of the village lasses about to get married, "I hope your chosen is one of the non-chimney variety—does not smoke." "He ain't what you'd call a slave to the habit, ma'am," replied the girl, "but he ain't exactly a stranger to it. I don't feel called on to put a stop to it, neither. You see, I want him to be happy and comfortable about the house when we're married." "Surely he would be just as happy without that dreadful tobacco?" advanced the lady. "P'r'aps he would, ma'am, and p'r'aps he wouldn't," came the answer; "anyhow, I wouldn't like him to keep on findin' jobs out o' sight every few minutes, then come in eatin' corfy berries, like the poor vicar."—London Tit-Bits.

Man Who Knew Everything.

Thiers, the French statesman, was a victim of many whimsies. None had stronger hold on him, says Mgr. Gabriel Hanotaux in Contemporary France, than his desire to get everybody to recognize his universal competency.

Of an applicant for the post of director at the Sevres manufactory Thiers said:

"He is no more made for that part than I for—" and then he stopped.

"Ah, oh! M. Thiers," said his interlocutor, "you find it hard to say what you could not do."

"That's the truth!" That's the truth!" cried the statesman gleefully.

One day Thiers said, speaking of a man who had been raised to a high function:

"He is no more suited for that office than I am to be a druggist. And yet," he added, catching himself up, "I do know chemistry!"

Freedom's True Friend.

The true friend of freedom does not wish to be insulted by the supposition that he believes each human individual an erring man, and that nevertheless the united clamor of erring men has a character of divinity about it; nor does he desire to be told that the voice of the people, though legitimately and institutionally proclaimed and justly commanding respect and obedience, is divine on that account. He knows that the majority may err, and that he has the right and often the duty to use his whole energy to convince them of their error, and lawfully to bring about a different set of [illegible] true and stanch Republican [illegible] but no deification either [illegible]—Emerson.

SATISFIED WITH SIMPLE LIFE

People of the Latin Countries Take Things Less Seriously Than We Do in the North.

They take things less seriously down in the Andes country. The Latin races live their lives easily. There is a lack of realization of the seriousness and meaning of life, an habitual inclination to take things lightly. With no struggle to better their lot in life or fight against untoward circumstances, they calmly resign themselves to the fate of the unseen hand. In family life there is much affectionate generosity and contentment; life for them is simpler and less intense than in Anglo-Saxon countries.

There the women care little for the ballot. Are they backward? Does civilization lag? Perhaps; but those who travel there declare that the morning star of duty as wife and mother, even in their limited conception of its meaning, shines all the brighter in comparison. In their own wide ramified family circles their influence is felt, while their outside interest centers in the church.

The wealthy senora is looked up to by her poorer sisters and in the small towns and haciendas where her numerous family connections are the leading people of the community, she extends a kindly and charitable beneficence to them and to all who serve them in any capacity. When these women come of old Spanish stock they are extremely exclusive and ancient rules of etiquette guide their social relationships. Their daughters go to the convent schools, receive a limited education and return home to continue the same regime as has held sway since the day when their forbears left Spain.

APPEARED AT FUNERAL FEAST

Neighbors Got Something of a Shock When Man Thought to Be Dead Walked In on Them.

It is said that some of the subterranean rivers that gush out of caverns and pour into the River Pinega, in Eastern Russia, flow fifty or sixty miles beneath the accumulated half-decayed leaf mold of a thousand years. At a place called Soila they tell in this relation a strange story.

It appears that a mujik, while cutting timber in the wood, had been swallowed up in the tundra, as the dense mass of vegetation is called. A party was cutting virgin forest, when suddenly this man slipped, cried out, and sank from sight before the eyes of his comrades.

It happened so quickly that there was not time to save him. All gave him up for dead. Prayers for his soul were offered in church. But he was not dead, after all. What was the surprise of the villagers when he turned up at his own funeral feast!

He had fallen through a hole in the bog into the bed of the underground river, and had made his way in the darkness along its course until he had come to an opening and clambered out.

Necessary Secrecy.

"I witnessed a queer episode this afternoon," said the city cousin who was visiting in Wayoverbehind. "As I was strolling past an alley I heard, emanating from the open door of a barn, such peculiar sounds that I was moved to investigate. Peering in, I discovered a portly man standing on a box, sawing the air with elaborate gestures and at the same time shouting defiantly and whispering hissingly. And the strangest part was that he was not saying an intelligible word, but was uttering meaningless babble, like 'Hobbensy-gobbensy, shing, shang, tandigo poo!' and so on."

"Oh, that's Hon. Heck Hooper," replied the village cousin, "and that jibberish is a sort of a cipher. You see, he is running for the legislature and is practicing up a new speech which he expects to be a sockdolager. And he's afraid his opponents will steal his well-chosen words before he gets his oration down pat."—Kansas City Star.

Hint Brought Results.

The sexton of a certain church the other afternoon had conducted a party round the ancient edifice, and, despite dropping more than one "gentle 'int," it appeared as if the sexton was to go unrewarded.

In the porch the leader of the party paused a moment.

"I suppose," he said, "you've been here many years?"

"Forty," replied the old man, "an' it's a werry strange thing as, whenever I'm a-showing a party out o' the porch they allus asks me that question or (with emphasis) the other."

"Indeed!" smiled the visitor. "And what may the other be?"

"What I calls question number two," replied the sexton, calmly, "is just this—'Samiwell, is tips allowed?' And Samiwell allus answers, 'Tips is allowed!'"

The hint was taken, as was the tip.

All the Fun Gone.

Edgar McPherson, J. M. Neblett and W. A. Glass left for a three days' fishing trip on Caney fork, near McMinnville, Tenn. Some of the edge was taken off the trip by a promise meanly and covertly obtained by John G. Ellis.

"Do one thing for me," he pleaded.

"Certainly," they solemnly agreed, crossing their hearts and bodies, for they felt sorry that the Ol' Man was left behind:

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PRESIDENTS' MESSAGES.

They Traveled Slowly in the Days Before the Railroads.

In the brave old days before railroads were built the utmost exertions were made to expedite the conveyance of a president's message, and stagecoaches bearing copies of one of these important documents established new records in transportation.

There were famous drivers in those stagecoach days, and they did their greatest feats in speeding to the westward messages of presidents. One of the most expert reinsmen was Homer Westover. With copies of a special message sent to congress by President Van Buren, Westover drove from Uniontown to Brownsville, a distance of twenty miles, in forty-five minutes. This message of President Van Buren was taken from Frederick to Wheeling, 222 miles, in twenty-three and one-half hours.

Another famous driver was Redding Bunting, who guided the six matched horses that drew the big mail coach of the Stockton line. Seymour Dunbar, author of "A History of Travel In America," says that perhaps the greatest of Bunting's great accomplishments was performed when his coach carried copies of President Polk's message, in which the country was notified that war with Mexico had begun. On that occasion Bunting drove 131 miles in twelve hours. His passengers recovered.

In the early decades of the nineteenth century presidential messages were awaited by the public with great interest, but that was not the only reason why stage lines made their best time when carrying these documents.

These lines carried the mails, and the postoffice department attached much importance to the speed that was made by coaches while conveying a president's message in the mails. We are told by "A History of Travel" that for occasions of this sort the most ambitious and expert drivers were selected, and as one of them sped across the country, urging on his six horses from the top of a heavy and careening vehicle, the population of all the region along the road gathered to watch and cheer him. There was no profit to the stage lines in this business. Relays of horses had to be provided at much more frequent intervals than was usual, and valuable animals were ruined by the exertions to which they were forced.

President Monroe's message of Dec. 7, 1819, was seventy-eight days on its journey from the national capital to Little Rock, not arriving there until Feb. 22, 1820. But President Jackson's annual message of Dec. 8, 1829, was hurried from Washington to Little Rock in the "astonishing time" of fourteen days, and on Dec. 29, 1829, the Arkansas Gazette said, "Thus have the improvements which have been made in the expedition of the mails brought us, as it were, sixty-four days nearer the city of the general government than we were ten years ago."